

## ANOTHER REPUBLICAN CONFAB

## SENATORS MEET IN ALDRICH'S COMMITTEE ROOM.

A continuation of the Sunday Night Pow-wow at the White House. The Conference lasts from Early Morning until Late in the Afternoon—Outline of Republican Platform Considered.

WASHINGTON, May 2.—For several hours today the group of Republican Congress leaders continued the conference begun at the White House last night, when they sat in the President's library until nearly midnight talking over the plans for the coming campaign. Bright and early this morning the Senators who attended the Sunday night pow-wow reassembled in the committee room of the Committee on Finance, of which the manager of the Senate Republicans, Mr. Aldrich of Rhode Island, is chairman. The warhorses of the Senate Republicans were all there, including Senators Aldrich, Allison, Platt of Connecticut, Hale, Spooner and Lodge.

Speaker Cannon and Chairman Hohenway of the House Committee on Appropriations, who joined the President's Sunday school last night, were absent today. Mr. Hohenway having sailing on Secretary Moore's little junket, and Speaker Cannon being busy with his own private affairs preparatory to leaving town in a day or two to get into the Illinois campaign.

Republican conferences at the Senate, when there is anything particular doing, generally meet in Senator Aldrich's back room, and when it became known that the President's Sunday school class had reassembled there this morning all sorts of reports went about as to what was going on. It was said that the Vice-Presidential nomination was being settled, that the chairman of the Republican national committee was being selected, that some sensational developments in the President's supplemental investigation of the Post Office Department, now in full swing, were being discussed, that the Republican platform was being written and that all sorts of things were happening.

The persistency with which the Senators clung to the conference room and the absolute secrecy which they maintained when occasionally they emerged from it, multiplied the rumors as to what was in the wind. Luncheon was served in the conference room and it was late in the afternoon before the Senators came out. They still refused to talk, and it was possible to learn in general way only what was being discussed. It is much easier to state what subjects were not considered.

There was no discussion of the Vice-Presidential candidate, the general belief among the Senators being that Senator Fairbanks of Indiana will be Roosevelt's running mate, notwithstanding the fact that the Indiana statesman still refuses to say whether he is a candidate. He has never said outright that he is not, and therefore it is taken for granted that he is. If the present state goes through, he will be the nominee. There has been a good deal of newspaper talk lately about the probable nomination of Speaker Cannon, but it is known that he does not want the nomination, and Republican leaders are not disposed to thrust the honor upon him.

The matter of the national committee chairmanship is still in the air and nobody knows now whom the committee will select. Gov. Murphy of New Jersey seems to have been knocked out by the opposition of Senator Keane and his friends. This matter was not talked of at today's conference.

The subject of the Post Office investigation was not discussed either, except that the Senators casually expressed gratification at the thoroughness with which the search will be prosecuted under the rigorous instructions given to Assistant Attorney-General Robb, and a report will be ready for the public that it is thought will be a complete answer to the Democratic charge that the Republicans did not dare to face a bona fide investigation.

At the gathering at the White House last night and at the meeting in the back room of the finance committee today the general outlines of the Republican platform were considered, and Senator Lodge of Massachusetts, who is slated for the chairmanship of the committee on resolutions at the national convention, got a pretty good idea of what the Administration and its friends in Congress think would be a wise declaration of principles.

The President and his Republican colleagues are more conservative, however, in figuring out what the Democrats are going to make their campaign on, so that they can be prepared to meet them at every point. It was the general opinion of those at the conference yesterday and to-day that the Democrats will be unable to get together on any issue except that of the personality of President Roosevelt.

It is apparent that the Republicans think that, having unsuccessfully tried one issue after another, the Democrats will go to take Senator Gorman's advice and make their campaign cry the general cussedness of the Republican party and the reckless ambition of Theodore Roosevelt, which has induced him to set himself up as the usurper of the powers and privileges of the House of Representatives and of all branches of the Government.

"Down with Roosevelt!" will be the Democratic campaign cry, the Republicans think, and they are therefore preparing to put the President before the country in the best light possible. They will dress him up in his best bib and tucker and make him smile for the ladies all during the campaign.

There was considerable comment at the conference over the meeting of the President and the German-Americans at the White House Saturday night, and much gratification was expressed at the pretty little speeches exchanged between the host and his visitors. The incident of a lot of influential German-Americans, including the head of such men as Congressman Barthold of Missouri and Wagner of Maryland, throwing bouquets at the President and having him return the compliment with interest and in two languages, was regarded as very significant, and Republicans will not fail to make the most of it.

Senator Platt of New York does not attend Sunday school, except at the Fifth Avenue Hotel, and he was therefore not present at last night's White House gathering with the big men of the party. Today, when they were in conference at the Capitol, he was talking to the President in his private office, and while the Senator would not say what passed between him and the President, he did admit that one subject of their conference was the national

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## DISOBEYED SUBPENA: KILLED.

## Cuff's Death is Like the One He Should Have Described at an Inquest.

Coroner O'Gorman held an inquiry yesterday into the death of James Mobile, an employee of the O'Rourke Construction Company, who was killed by an express train on the New York Central tracks at 167th street on March 28. The principal witness was to have been Michael Cuff, a foreman of the O'Rourke company and a brother of Detective Sergeant Cuff at Police Headquarters.

Although Cuff had been subpoenaed to appear at 2 o'clock, he did not show up, and owing to the lack of his testimony the jury was unable to fix the blame for Mobile's death.

Just as the foreman announced the verdict, the Coroner received a telephone message that Cuff had been killed by an express train on the New York Central tracks. He hurried to the place and said later that he found Cuff had been run over at the same time as had Mobile, 5:30 o'clock. He also said that the foreman had been struck within two feet of the spot where Mobile was killed. Cuff was walking on the southbound track when he was run down by a northbound train. Mobile was on the northbound track.

In the foreman's pockets papers were found showing that he had just applied for a life insurance policy which would have become operative in three days. His home was in Bayonne, and a letter was found in his pocket from his wife urging him to come home on Friday.

"If Cuff had obeyed the subpoena," said Coroner O'Gorman, "he would not have been killed."

## CABLE-LAYING SHIP HERE.

With 2,100 Miles of Cable to Be Laid to the Azores.

The new cable-laying German steamship Stephan, yesterday from Bremen, has aboard nearly \$2,000,000 worth of cable that she will use to connect Coz Island with the Azores, completing the New York-Fayal section of the German-American cable. The other section, connecting the Azores with Emden, Germany, has been laid. The Stephan, after taking on coal and supplies, will proceed to pick up the easterly end of 100 miles of cable laid last fall from Coz Island by another cable steamship. After she finds the end of this cable, which is marked by a buoy, she will splice it to that she has aboard and proceed slowly toward the Azores, paying out the 4,100 tons of cable that she brought from Germany. This consists of 2,075 miles of light deep sea cable, 32 miles of heavy intermediate cable and 10 miles of light intermediate cable.

The Stephan's cable carrying capacity is 5,000 tons. She is commanded by Capt. Cornelius and has a crew of 138 men.

## MISS SUTHERLAND A SUICIDE.

The Daughter of the Late Surgeon-General Sutherland Takes Her Own Life.

WASHINGTON, May 2.—Miss Edith Sutherland, daughter of the late Surgeon-General D. C. Sutherland, U. S. A., committed suicide at her home in this city yesterday by taking laudanum. She had been under treatment for some time for mental disorder and had made previous attempts to end her life. She was 32 years of age.

Miss Sutherland grew up in the midst of luxury at the Presidio in San Francisco, where her father was stationed, and was possessed of a considerable private fortune. Unfortunately speculation in mining ventures entirely dissipated the family wealth and after the sudden death of Gen. Sutherland in May, 1885, the family was left almost destitute. Miss Sutherland obtained employment in the Pension Office in this city and in the effort to support her family, of which she was the eldest daughter, she became a nervous wreck. Since that time she has devoted her attention to the making of fine pastries, for which she had considerable talent, and by this means contributed materially to the support and education of her younger brothers and sisters. The interment will be in the National Cemetery at Arlington, where Gen. Sutherland is buried.

## ROGERS REAL ESTATE SOLD.

Metropolitan Museum of Art Gets \$250,000 for Paterson Property.

PATERSON, N. J., May 2.—Announcement was made here to-day that the Metropolitan Museum of Art, the chief beneficiary under the will of the late Jacob S. Rogers, millionaire locomotive builder, had disposed of all of the Rogers real estate to a syndicate of Philadelphia and New York capitalists and that the syndicate had placed the property on the market to be sold to the highest bidder.

Sidney Barkalow and John G. Stead are the local agents of the syndicate. The land placed in their hands will be surveyed at once and the whole will be disposed of by auction. About sixty lots of the property, which were assessed as farm lands for many years, are on Park avenue in the heart of the residential section of the city.

Robert W. De Forest, of De Forest Bros., counsel for the Metropolitan Museum, said last night that the real estate had been sold to the syndicate for \$250,000. Mr. De Forest did not know the names of the members of the syndicate.

## COLUMBIA FEARS TROUBLE.

The Question of Who Was Elected President May Cause an Outbreak.

WASHINGTON, May 2.—Rumors have reached here that unhappy Colombia is again on the verge of political trouble. The question of who was elected President at the last general election has never been settled. At first it was declared that Gen. Reyes, Vice-President and commander-in-chief of the army, who was then in Washington trying to get the United States to make Panama rejoin the Colombian federation, had secured a majority of the presidential electors.

Gen. Reyes was popular then, but when his mission failed and he went to Paris instead of going back to Colombia, there was a change of sentiment, and Señor Telez was regarded as the winner. Word comes now that Reyes is on his way back to Colombia, and there is an uneasy feeling down there. Nobody knows what will happen when Reyes arrives, but an outbreak is feared.

## Papal Exhibition at St. Louis.

Special Cable Dispatch to The Sun. ROME, May 2.—The exhibits the Pope will send to St. Louis include the famous copy of the Bible which belonged to the Emperor Constantine and which is richly illuminated and bears the imperial initials, also precious vestments and a complete collection of Pius's coins.

## GOVERNOR-CHAIRMAN'S NINE.

## SLATE FOR A SMALL AND HANDY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

As for Treasurer of the County Committee, It is suggested That He Take That Place Himself—Eye on a Man With Three Millions to Run for Governor.

Governor-Chairman Odell is to appoint his executive committee of the Republican State committee within a few days, and this was the slate as made up last night by one of the Governor-chairman's adherents: William Barnes, Jr., George W. Dunn, Francis Hendricks, Charles H. Murray, Michael J. Dady, William C. Warren, George W. Aldridge, Louis F. Payn and Cy Durey.

For years the executive committee was made up of nineteen members, but the Governor-chairman has decided that nine will do. Mr. Barnes, according to the latest bulletin, is to retain his old place as chairman. While the names of Mr. Payn and Mr. Durey are now on the Governor-chairman's slate, Mr. Payn may be displaced for John T. Most or Cy Durey may give place to Mr. Mott and Mr. Payn remain.

Naturally, in the selection of the nine members of the new executive committee the Governor-chairman retains his grasp of this committee as well as of the State committee. Murray, Dady, Warren, Aldridge, Payn and Durey are out-and-out Odell men, Durey being the representative of Littauer.

Governor-Chairman Odell on his next visit to New York is to select a treasurer for the New York Republican county committee. Although the Governor-chairman "reorganized and reformed" the committee in December, he has not yet been able to corral a treasurer. He has offered the place to a dozen prosperous Republicans and they have declined, some of them without returning thanks for the proffered distinction.

The latest suggestion is that the Governor-chairman should take the place himself, but after his experiences in the United States Shipbuilding bond scheme he is not fond of jobs where "it is all put in and no take-out." Those who suggested his self-appointment recalled that first the Governor-chairman was to be renominated for Governor next fall and debated with himself whether he really ought to take the nomination. When he ascertained that the Democrats stood ready, for purposes of their own, to chip into his campaign fund if Odell would only run, he became suspicious and turned his eyes toward the lucrative place (in flush years) of chairman of the Republican national committee.

He declined that, though, when he learned that President Roosevelt and the President's friends would give him the post for any consideration known even to political expedience, and there was nothing left in sight save for the Governor to become the chairman of the State committee. Now he is telling the Odell bunch of grafters that Lieut.-Gov. Frank Wayland Higgins of Olean might make a good candidate for Governor next fall. The Governor-chairman's first choice is Mayor Erasmus Knight of Buffalo. Knight would be friendly to the Governor-chairman, but he's poor, while Mr. Higgins has a terrific fortune of \$3,000,000.

## WORLD'S FAIR VISITORS.

Good Attendance for the First Regular Day of the Big Show.

ST. LOUIS, May 2.—The first regular day of the world's fair brought out a good crowd of visitors, a large percentage of whom were from cities and towns adjacent to St. Louis. The turnstiles reported an average of 5,000 persons passing through hourly.

Workmen were busy completing the interior of several buildings, while exhibitors were engaged arranging exhibits. The police, however, were busy with the crowd, and the fair managers insist that everything will be completed and in place by May 15, but the hope is father of the wish. It will be nearer sixty days before everything is completed.

Three State buildings were dedicated to-day—those of Pennsylvania, Michigan and Ohio. The formal dedication of the Connecticut State building will take place to-morrow.

An effort is being made to keep the Pike open on Sunday. One of the national commissioners is quoted as saying that the Pike is an annex to the world's fair and not, in a legal sense, a part of it, and consequently does not come within the Congress inhibition closing the gates of the fair on Sundays. An amusing feature of the fair is the contemptuous feeling of the American Indians toward the Filipinos, as well as the natives of South American countries.

The official number who attended the fair opening day has not yet been given out, though it is admitted that it was considerably below 200,000.

## RISKED LIFE FOR STRANGE DOG.

Descended 90 Feet Into Passaic Falls Chasm to Rescue Animal.

PATERSON, N. J., May 2.—Henry Bilz of Lake View went down a ninety-foot rope into the Passaic Falls chasm this morning to rescue a small fox terrier that some careless person had thrown over the rocks last night. Bilz was passing over the chasm bridge and heard the terrier's cries, going to the hotel on the falls grounds, he got a rope. Frederick Schumacher, one of the owners of the hotel, and James Johnson, an out-of-town visitor, went with him to the chasm.

The rope was fastened to the top of the cliff and Bilz went down hand over hand. He got the dog, and Schumacher and Johnson, after considerable trouble, and with the help of several others who happened to come along, pulled him up to safety. Bilz will give the dog a home.

## HIS ASHES SCATTERED IN AIR.

Friends of Charles A. Knauss Carry Out His Dying Request.

PATERSON, N. J., May 2.—The ashes of Charles A. Knauss, a printer of this city, whose body was cremated on Feb. 18, were blown to the winds this morning from Garrett Mountain, in accordance with his dying request. Chris Groetsch, the dead printer's executor, accompanied by members of the Schillerbund and the Harmonic Quartette, climbed the mountain at 5 o'clock. When Garrett Rock, the most prominent spot on the mountain, was reached, the party halted.

Mr. Groetsch carried the ashes, which were in a bag made of six inches of cloth, to the top of the mountain. He broke the bag and the ashes, which were in a bag made of six inches of cloth, were blown to the winds this morning from Garrett Mountain, in accordance with his dying request. Chris Groetsch, the dead printer's executor, accompanied by members of the Schillerbund and the Harmonic Quartette, climbed the mountain at 5 o'clock. When Garrett Rock, the most prominent spot on the mountain, was reached, the party halted.

## NEGROES CHEERED ROOSEVELT.

Interrupted a Bishop's Prayer at a Conference to Do It.

CHICAGO, May 2.—Hundreds of negro preachers and laymen, attending the twenty-second quadrennial Conference of the African Methodist Episcopal Church to-day, halted a prayer to give voice to their appreciation of President Roosevelt for his treatment of the negro race.

Cheers rang through Quinn Chapel when Bishop W. J. Gaines of Georgia offered a prayer in which he said: "O God, bless the President of the United States, who has had the manhood and courage to stand up and do his duty at all times to men of every color and creed in spite of bitter criticism. If consistent with thy will, O God, when his term of office expires, send him back to the White House to serve another four years."

The utterance of this sentiment was the signal for shouts of "Bless him, O God!" "Yes, yes!" "Amen, Amen!" and it was some time before the Bishop could proceed. Delegates from all parts of the United States and Canada, South and West Africa, the West Indies and Jamaica, attended the opening session. A call of the roll showed there were thirteen Bishops and 408 ministerial and lay delegates.

## COP RESCUES DROWNING MAN.

Schaeffer, in Full Uniform, Has a Hard Swim Against the Tide to Save Him.

James Fallon, who was helping unload a lighter, fell into the East River at the foot of Seventy-fourth street yesterday afternoon. Policeman Schaeffer of the East Sixty-seventh street station, who is an expert swimmer, jumped in after him without waiting to remove his uniform. There was a strong tide running and Schaeffer had a hard time of it.

Fallon seemed to lose all control of himself in the water, and fought the policeman. Several times Schaeffer got his man near shore, but the tide swept them out again. The policeman grabbed Fallon by the hair, and when he was almost exhausted, succeeded in dragging his man alongside of the lighter. A man on board threw a long plank, which the policeman caught with one hand, still keeping his grip on Fallon's hair.

With the aid of the man on the lighter and the plank, the policeman got Fallon ashore. An ambulance was called and Fallon was taken to the Presbyterian Hospital. The policeman went home to rest and dry out.

## CARGO FROM CHICAGO HERE.

Steamship to Bring 15,000 Bushels of Corn Without Breaking Bulk.

CHICAGO, May 2.—The charter of the steamer Kanawha to-day for a cargo of corn from Chicago to New York, without breaking bulk, is an innovation which caused considerable comment in marine circles here.

Three seasons ago the Northern Steamship Company, backed by Chicago capitalists and later abandoned, operated four steamers between this city and Europe, but not since the early days of navigation on the Lake Erie do the oldest marine men here recall an instance where a full cargo of grain has been shipped direct to New York by the all-water route.

The Kanawha's cargo will be 75,000 bushels of corn. Early day shipments of that character were made in sailing craft.

No attempt is being made to establish a new route for export grain because of the excessive rates of insurance charged beyond Buffalo and the lack of return cargoes. It is expected that the Kanawha route to New York was \$125 for \$100 valuation on the grain cargo, the Buffalo proportion being 30 cents.

## THEATRE AUDIENCE SCARED.

Police Prevent a Panic Following a Fight in the Theatre.

Police Inspector Titus and detectives from the Elizabeth street station stopped what might have been a panic in the Thalia Theatre last night.

The audience became frightened over a fight which was started by Hyman Nissel, of 48 Orchard street, and began a stampede.

Inspector Titus happened to be in the theatre at the time.

He ran down the aisle telling people to be quiet and the plain clothes men who were detailed there followed his example. A cop arrested Nissel and took him to the station. As soon as the noise ceased the nervousness of the audience vanished.

## \$50,000 FOR INDIAN SCHOOL.

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